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* All meetings moved back one week in January--Business Meet on Jan. 8

*Corry ARC Christmas Party . . .6:30 P.M. BQF Stake House, Buyer's Fair Plazza. Everyone welcome. December 16, Tuesday.

*RAE Christmas Party . . . Saturday December 20, Stockholm Smorgasbord 3711 West 12 Street (near Powell Av) Parking in rear.

* New Membership year. Your membership runs out at the end of December.

*New Officers Named . . . See inside.

*No "operating party" this month. Falls on Christmas Day. See us all at the EOC January 22. Eight o'clock.

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NEWS VIEWS 1975

It is the sincere desire of this editor to thank everyone who has tried to make Amateur Radio a success in 1975. My hat is off to the following for this year: Chuck Bliley, K3NAU, Repeater Com. Chairman; Rick Cutter, WA3MKT; Maurice Baker, WA3ZXO; Joe Barna, WA3VXZ; for their superhuman efforts on Project ACA. Needless to say, they have completely rebuilt WR3ACA from the ground up. These people are making Amateur Radio Histroy!

Although, not to be outdone by any means, is Frank Grace, W3NGI; heading the code and theory classes at St. Luke's. "Mr. Amateur Radio" has done and is doing a great job (as usual) of co-ordinating the whole operation. In this he has been and is getting great help from some of the greatest amateurs around! Rick Cutter, WA3MKT; theory instructor for General Class; Rick Robishaw, WA3LSY, theory instructor for General Class License; Norma, WA3KKT, code instructor for those interested in improving their skill in code from whatever speed they now have to at least pass the 13 wpm necessary for the General Class ticket. The code class for the Novice (5 wpm) is being conducted by Chuck, WA3KAI and Dick, WA3TYJ. The Novice theory class will be conducted by Ed. Hair, WA3OOT; and Hoppy, WA3TRJ; There was a great deal of effort in getting all of this together, and many people were behind the scenes--Rick, WA3MKT; Ron, WA3UDH; Tammy, WN3ZSH; Sherry, WN3ZSK; Mike, WA3HSR; Chuck, K3NAU, plus Frank, W3NGI, who donated material and time to get this project off the ground, and to help make this a great success, and I know it will be. We needed all of those people.

I may have missed someone in this article. If I missed you, I am extremely sorry. If, I missed you because you have not helped, then I am sorry for this also. You have missed two of the greatest events in Amateur Radio in Erie for quite a while.

I have several thoughts in closing. Tammy, WN3ZSH, is one of the youngestamateurs in the country, and is working 80 meter CW. We are very proud, indeed, of our grandaughter. My wife and I both believe this is fantastic! Tammy was 8 when she passed her Novice exam, and she will be attending the General Class theory and code classes right along with the grandfather, WA3TRJ mother, WN3ZSK, and last, but not least, Dad, WA3UDH. We are all rooting for you, Tammy!

This article is the only one available at this time, for the QUA-RAE, even late by a whopping 18 days!

Hope it has been interesting as well as bringing you up-to-date on the happenings around here in 1975. As Editor, I need something and/or some things to edit. Getting no articles, editing is really hard.

Perhaps we <u>all</u> need to take the job of Editor for a while, so we will each one know what the Editor has to go through in order to put out a newsletter, or in this case, the QUA-RAE. I enjoyed being your Editor. However, I cannot do it alone, as I need everyone's help and co-operation. I am submitting my resignation at this time and hope that in the future, your new editor will get the help - such as; writing of articles, typing, printing, proof-reading and all things involved with getting the QUA-RAE to the Subscribers. If we (continued on next page)

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could all take 10 or 15 minutes a day and once a month, to write about something that is interesting to us, we'd have quite a few articles for our paper.

Ex-Editor,
Hoppy, WA3IRJ

P.S. ME TOO - Typist Janice Soboski.

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I am a ham and a ham I am. I am Full up of Electronics, current, and resistance, and sometimes I need a little assistance. When coping stations far and near. That sometimes I just cannot hear. Hams are not to eat. Although we are very neat. I am a ham. And a Ham I am. Tommy WN3ZGH

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ANYONE FOR CW?

There are many band openings for CW. I have heard several hams who are returning to CW because the SSB frequencies are getting too crowded.

I have been working DX on 15 and 20 meters with only a dipole, so you don't need an elaborate antenna set-up.

40 meters is a good all around band and depending on conditions, skip, time of day, etc., you can work any where in the states. DX is available on the lower end of the band early morning, early evening, and around midnight.

Now that cooler weather is coming and the QRN is decreasing, 80 meters is becoming more active. Plenty of good rag chewing on this band.

How about some of you CW hams coming to our meeting so we can compare notes?

Don Quiggle,
WA3UNX

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RAE Board of Directors will meet Saturday January 3 at the Red Cross at 3:00 p.m.

Next Business Meeting--January 8. Repeater Meeting--January 15.

On December 4, at the annual meeting, Radio Association of Erie named it's slate of new officers and elected officials. They are: President, Frank Grace W3NGI; Vice president, "Bud" Hopkins WA3TRJ; Secretary, Norma Vanderhoff WA3KKT; Treasurer, "Scotty" Forbes W3STK. Named to the Board of Directors were: Mike Hall WA3HSR and Jim Fitzreider K3QHO. Joe Barna WA3VXZ, our past president, will also serve a one year hitch as a board member in accordance with our bylaws. Bob Bair WA3HDK was named Chairman of the Board. Ron Kosciuch WA3UDH has been named by the President to be Field Day Chairman. The newspaper committee now consists of: Bob Bair WA3HDK, Editor; Mike Hall WA3HSR, Circulation Manager/Membership Chairman; Jim Fitzreiter K3QHO, Pressman. Congradulations to all the new officers and best wishes for the new year.

Please indicate to any of our new officers your thoughts in the operation of the club. It IS your club, and you have the responsibility of guiding your officers for the good of all area amateurs.

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NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS JANUARY FIRST. The new drive for members started in October. The present membership expires soon. Re-up Now! Here are the 1976 members. Report any errors to WA3HSR.

C. Curtzie	WA3EAY Brown	WA3KKT Vanderhoff	K3PLV Hill
Bob Feringer	WA3EYM Bernard	W5KLV Connaway	WA3QAY Nehez
E. Hites	K8GAE Wood	W3KPE Kaiser	K3QEQ Zavatski
T. Rotthoff	W8GR Hirsimaki	K3KSB Berringer	W3QN Lloyd
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WN3AAB Klem	W2HXP Jakuboski	WA3OOM Hooper	W3STK Forbes
W3ALD Jones	WA3IVK Losak	WA3PFL Jones	WA3TRJ Hopkins
W3AQY McKivor	Wa3JJT Miller	W3PIX Shreeve	WA3TYI Quiggle
W8BKM Gross	K3KAP Owens	W3PJD Currie	W3TXZ Owen
WA8CWC Hirsimaki	WA3KAZ Flick	W7PJJ Link	WA3UCP Jackson

WN3UCX Jury, WA3UDH Kosciuch, WA3UET Beautikoffer, WA3UNX Quiggle, K3WOL Rothstein, W3WZ Jackson, WN3ZSH Kosciuch, K3ZOB Mehnert, WN3ZUU Kightlinger, WN3ZWH Decker, WA3ZXO Baker, WA3PUI Sawtelle. This list made December 4.

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The RAE Christmas Party will be held this year at the Stockholm Smorgasbord, 3711 West 12 Street, at 7 P.M. The cost is $3.18 per plate plus your beverage. There is a parking lot in the rear of the building. There will be some small door prizes and no reservation is necessary. Call Frank, W3NGI, for additional details. 866-3035.